



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2455 - SB 2442

March 23, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (016328): Establishes qualifications necessary to receive a practitioner occupational teaching license. Effective upon becoming law for promulgation of rules, for all other purposes effective July 1, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$15,000/FY22-23
\$3,000/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- State Board of Education (SBE) rule 0520-02-03.04 requires that educators seeking an occupational license must enroll in (and eventually complete) an SBE-approved educator preparation program (EPP) with a job-embedded clinical practice.
- Currently, occupational EPPs approved by SBE are administered by both higher education institutions and local education agencies (LEA) in Rutherford and Knox Counties.
- The proposed legislation will require the modification of the Department of Education's (DOE) educator management system, TNCompass, to create a new transaction type and transaction workflow to accommodate applications received from licensure candidates who pursue the new pathway to occupational licensure.
- The current workflows will need to be modified to allow individuals to apply directly for licensure themselves, without enrolling in an EPP. Based on a quote from DOE's educator management system vendor, RANDA, the modifications will include a \$15,000 one-time development cost in FY22-23 to be in compliance by July 1, 2023, and an annual maintenance of cost of \$3,000, beginning in FY23-24.
- The total increase in state expenditures is estimated to be \$15,000 in FY22-23 and \$3,000 in FY23-24 and subsequent years.
- It is unknown how the proposed legislation may impact LEA-based EPPs and if they will need to modify existing offerings. Any required changes for LEA-based EPPs operations, programming, systems, or personnel are assumed to be accommodated within existing resources. Any increase in local expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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